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## REQUEST for **CONTINUED EXAMINATIO** TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provided for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

| Application Number     | 09/486,890           |  |
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| Filing Date            | May 26, 2000         |  |
| First Named Inventor   | Ryoumei OMOTE et al. |  |
| Group Art Unit         | 1771                 |  |
| Examiner Name          | Andrew T. Piziali    |  |
| Attorney Docket Number | 00177/530850         |  |
| Confirmation No.       | 2420                 |  |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

|  | 1. | Submission | required | under 37 | C.F.R. | § 1.114 |
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- a. [] Previously submitted:
  - [] Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on
  - [] Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
  - [] Other
- b. [X] Enclosed:
  - [X] Amendment/Reply
  - [] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - [] Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) iii.
  - [] Other
- Miscellaneous
  - a. [] Suspension of action on the above-identified application is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period ofmonths. (period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required).
  - b. [] Other\_
- Fees (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)
  - a. [] The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No.
    - [] RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
    - ii. [] Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and § 1.17)
    - iii. [] Other
  - b. [X] Check in the amount of \$790.00 enclosed

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TRANSPARENT CONDUCTIVE FILM FOR USE IN TRANSPARENT TOUCH PANEL, TRANSPARENT TOUCH PANEL USING THE TRANSPARENT CONDUCTIVE FILM, AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING

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The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or to credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-0975, with the EXCEPTION of deficiencies in fees for multiple dependent claims in new applications.

Respectfully submitted,

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